Ordinance No. 01-12

ORDINANCE:

To grant Text Amendment Application No. TXT2012-00231, Mayor and Council of Rockville, Applicant

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of Rockville, 111 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland, filed Text Amendment Application TXT2012-00231 for the purpose of amending Chapter 25 of the Rockville City Code, "Zoning," so as to revise the definition of "family"; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the proposed text amendment at its meeting of September 19, 2011, and recommended that the text amendment be approved; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the Mayor and Council of Rockville gave notice that a hearing on said application would be held by the Mayor and Council in the Council Chambers at Rockville City Hall on December 12, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as it may be heard; and

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2011, said application came on for hearing at the time and place provided for in said advertisement; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council having considered the text amendment application and the entire file pertaining thereto, said Mayor and Council having decided that the granting of this application, in the form set forth below, would promote the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Rockville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND, that Text Amendment Application No. TXT2012-00231, be, and the same is hereby granted, by amending Article 3, "Definitions; Terms of Measurement and Calculations" so as to amend the definition of "family", as follows:

Sec. 25.03.02 – Words and Terms Defined

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Family -

- (a) An individual, or two (2) or more persons, all of whom are related to each other by blood, marriage, domestic partnership, adoption, guardianship or other duly authorized custodial relationship, and not more than two (2) other <u>unrelated</u> persons as long as all of the occupants are living together as a single housekeeping group in a <u>dwelling unit</u>; or
- (b) [a] A group of not more than five (5) persons [all of whom] who are not collectively related to each other by blood, marriage, domestic partnership, adoption, guardianship, or other duly authorized custodial relationship, and are living together as a single housekeeping group in a dwelling unit.

NOTE:

[Brackets] indicate material deleted

<u>Underlining</u> indicates material added

Asterisks * * * indicate material unchanged by this ordinance

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted by the Mayor and Council at its meeting of January 30, 2012.

Brenda Bean, Acting City Clerk